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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on February 24, 2000,  
please amend the application as indicated, and consider the remarks that follow.

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 1, 15 and 20 as follows.

*Sb DV*  
*A1*  
1. (Amended) A method for distributing [requests for] browser web page[s]  
requests among two or more web servers, comprising:

monitoring the web servers to determine if a predetermined condition exists at one or  
more of the web servers; and

if the predetermined condition does exist at [least] one of the web servers, [transferring]  
redirecting by that web server at least one browser request[s] from that web server to another one  
of the web servers such that the browser requests the web page from the another one of the web  
servers.

*AB*  
15. (Amended) A system for distributing browser requests for web pages,  
comprising: